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SUBJECT/ SCHEDULING OF AD HOC COMMITTEE ON UN DISARMAMENT

1. HYVARINEN (SYG'S SPECIAL REP TO CCD) TOLD MARTIN (US REP) FEB 24 THAT NEW YORK SECRETARIAT WAS PESSIMISTIC ABOUT PROSPECTS FOR RESCHEDULING FIRST SUBSTANTIVE SESSION OF AD HOC COMMITTEE ON UN DISARMAMENT ROLE FROM JUNE 28-JULY 9 TO JUNE 14-JUNE 25, AS REQUESTED BY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN THORSSON (SWEDEN). HYVARINEN DID NOT STATE REASON FOR HIS PESSIMISM; HE SAID IT WOULD BE TWO WEEKS BEFORE FINAL DECISION COULD BE MADE ON RESCHEDULING REQUEST.

2. EARLIER THORSSON, WHO IS ALSO SWEDISH CCD REP, TOLD MARTIN SHE HAD THUS FAR MADE NO PROGRESS IN EFFORT TO ADVANCE DATES OF AD HOC COMMITTEE SESSION, INDICATING SHE HAD BEEN GIVEN SOMETHING OF A RUN-AROUND AT HIGH LEVELS IN UN. SHE MADE IT CLEAR SHE DID NOT
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WANT OVERLAP OF AD HOC COMMITTEE AND CCD SUMMER SESSION.

3. UNLESS AD HOC COMMITTEE IS MOVED UP TO JUNE 14, CCD WOULD EITHER HAVE TO OVERLAP COMMITTEE OR DEALY ITS SUMMER SESSION OPENING UNTIL JULY 13. OVERLAP WOULD RAISE DIFFICULTIES FOR DELS THAT MAY WANT TO SEND CCD REPS TO AD HOC COMMITTEE (INCLUDING INTER ALIA, SWEDEN AND POSSIBLY US, IF DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT WOULD BE DESIRABLE). DELAYING CCD REOPENING TO MID-JULY, ON OTHER HAND, WOULD ALLOW ONLY AN EIGHT (NINE, AT THE OUTSIDE)-WEEK SUMMER SESSION. IN PARTICULAR, THIS WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE PROSPECTS FOR CONCLUDING NEGOTIATION OF ENMOD TREATY DURING 1976 CCD SESSION.

4. ROSHCIN (USSR REP) TOLD MARTIN FEB 24 THAT SOVIETS CONSIDERED MID-JULY RECONVENING "TOO LATE." MIHAJLOVIC (YUGOSLAV CCD DELOFF) TOLD US DELOFF SAME DATE THAT YUGOSLAVS WOULD PREFER TO AVOID OVERLAP AND THUS SUPPORTED SWEDISH MOVE TO ADVANCE AD HOC COMMITTEE. HE ADDED, HOWEVER, THAT RELUCTANCE IN NEW YORK TO MAKE CHANGE COULD STEM FROM EXPRESS DESIRE IN SOME UN QUARTERS NOT TO ACCOMMODATE CCD OR DELS WISHING TO MAKE USE OF CCD REPS IN AD HOC COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS, WITH VIEW TO DEMONSTRATING COMPLETE INDEPENDENCE OF TWO COMMITTEES FROM EACH OTHER.

5. COMMENT: DEL BELIEVES IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE FOR US TO SUPPORT THORSSON'S EFFORTS TO ADVANCE DATES OF AD HOC COMMITTEE SESSION IN ORDER TO AVOID IMPINGING ON TIME AVAILABLE TO CCD THIS SUMMER. DEL THEREFORE SUGGESTS THAT DEPARTMENT INSTRUCT USUN TO MAKE KNOWN TO APPROPRIATELY HIGH LEVEL IN SECRETARIAT US INTEREST IN SCHEDULING AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR EARLIER PERIOD; I E, JUNE 14-25. BRUNGART

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